

FORT RILEY DEER HUNTING REGULATIONS - 2010

The military mission has precedence over the announced hunting season. The Fort Riley Military Reservation or portions of it may be closed at any time, without prior notice, due to military activities. Additional security measures may be implemented at any time without notice, resulting in access restrictions in addition to those explained in this publication.

1. REQUIREMENTS

a. Complete Pre-Hunt Briefing. All deer hunters must complete a mandatory pre-hunt briefing. Hunters under the age of 18 may be exempt from this requirement if they are hunting with a parent or guardian that has taken the briefing.

b. Obtain Required Permits. Hunters must obtain all permits required by the state of Kansas and a Fort Riley Hunting Access Permit (if required) prior to issuance of any Fort Riley Deer Permit. Hunters must choose their primary season (either firearms or archery). Fort Riley Deer Permits acquisition is described for each season below.

2. SEASON OPTIONS: The following seasons are available to hunters as defined below. Note that except as described below, hunters may not receive both a “Regular Season Archery Permit” and a “Regular Season Firearms Permit”. Exceptions may be granted, by the Conservation Branch Chief, to Active Duty Soldiers, or family members if a deployment, block leave or TDY precludes them from hunting during their first selection.

a. Early Youth/Disabled Season: September 11-19 & October 8-11.
Any hunter with a valid Youth/Disabled Fort Riley Deer Permit and required state of Kansas permits may hunt during these seasons using any legal firearm or archery equipment allowed by the state of Kansas. All hunters must check-out and check-in each day they hunt at any of the eleven Fort Riley Self-Service Hunter Check Stations. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open on the particular day they wish to hunt for the method of deer hunting they choose.

b. Muzzleloader Season – September 20 - October 3.
Any hunter with a valid Fort Riley Muzzleloader Deer Permit and necessary state of Kansas permits may hunt during this season using only **traditional caplock or flintlock muzzleloaders**. **Inline muzzleloaders** are not legal equipment on Fort Riley during this season. All hunters must check-out and check-in each day they hunt at any of the eleven Fort Riley Self-Service Hunter Check Stations. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open for muzzleloader deer hunting on the particular day they wish to hunt.

c. Archery Season – September 20 – December 31.
(First 300 Permits) Any hunter who selects “Archery” as their primary season may hunt during this season on Fort Riley using any legal archery equipment allowed by the state of Kansas. All hunters must check-out and check-in each day they hunt at any of the eleven Fort Riley Self-Service Hunter Check Stations. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open for archery deer hunting on the particular day they wish to hunt. These permits will be allocated on a first come, first served basis at Building 407 beginning on 17 August 2010 or may be reserved by

application beginning on August 17, 2010. Application forms will be available on 17 August through the Fort Riley web page at <http://www.riley.army.mil/> under Recreation then outdoor recreation. These must be delivered in person or mailed to the Environmental Office at the address below. **Reservations not submitted in person must include a non-refundable \$20 administrative fee. We recommend that you call (785) 239-6211 before sending your fee to check on availability. Personal checks must be made out to the Fort Riley Fish and Wildlife Account.**

d. Regular Firearms Season (DOD ID Card Holders Only) – 26-28 November. Any hunter who possesses a valid DoD ID Card (and their family members) and has a Fort Riley Regular Season Firearms Deer Permit valid for the November Season may hunt using any legal firearm or crossbow equipment allowed by the state of Kansas. **Hunters must check out by phone on the day they wish to hunt by calling 785-239-6211 beginning at 4:30 am each day and receiving a control number or by physically checking out at Building 349. Hunters are asked to not fill out hunter cards at the Self-Service Hunter Check Stations while firearms deer hunting.** The maximum number of hunters that will be allowed to check out each day is 350. **Firearms hunters hunting east of Old Highway 77 (Maneuver Areas B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) and South of Vinton School Road may only use any legal bow, muzzleloading rifle, muzzleloading handgun or any legal shotgun.** All deer harvested must be brought to the Fort Riley Deer Check Station, building 349 by 7:00 pm each evening. All deer should be brought to the check station field dressed unless instructed otherwise prior to the season or at check-out. Active Duty soldiers that chose the Either Sex Archery Permit as their primary choice may also hunt for **antlerless** deer during this season.

e. Regular Firearms Season 18-22 December and 26-29 December. (First 250 Either Sex Permits) Any hunter who possesses a Fort Riley Regular Season Firearms Deer Permit valid for the December Season may hunt using any legal firearm or crossbow equipment allowed by the state of Kansas. **Hunters must check out by phone on the day they wish to hunt by calling 785-239-6211 beginning at 05:00 am each day and receiving a control number or by physically checking out at Building 349. . Hunters are asked to not fill out hunter cards at the Self-Service Hunter Check Stations while firearms deer hunting.** The maximum number of hunters that will be allowed to check out each day is 350. **Firearms hunters east of Old Highway 77 (Maneuver Areas B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) and South of Vinton School Road may only use any legal bow, muzzleloading rifle, muzzleloading handgun or any legal shotgun.** These permits will be allocated on a first come, first served basis at Building 407 beginning on 17 August 2010 or may be reserved by application beginning on August 17, 2010. Application forms will be available on 17 August through the Fort Riley web page at <http://www.riley.army.mil/> under Recreation then outdoor recreation. These must be delivered in person or mailed to the Environmental Office at the address below. **Reservations not submitted in person must include a non-refundable \$20 administrative fee. We recommend that you call (785) 239-6211 before sending your fee to check on availability. Personal checks must be made out to the Fort Riley Fish and Wildlife Account.** All deer harvested must be brought to the Fort Riley Deer Check Station, bldg 349 by 7:00 p.m. each evening. All deer shall be brought to the check station field dressed unless instructed otherwise prior to the season or at check-out. Active Duty soldiers that chose the Either Sex Archery Permit as their primary choice may also hunt for **antlerless** deer during this season.

f. Extended Firearms Antlerless Only Season – January 1-16

(Unlimited) All Fort Riley extended antlerless season deer hunters must have completed a mandatory pre-hunt briefing and have a Fort Riley Deer Permit prior to the January season. Any legal 2010 Kansas deer permit valid in unit 8 may be used during the Fort Riley extended antlerless deer season. Current (2011) Kansas state hunting licenses and Fort Riley access permits must be obtained and in possession as required by the state of Kansas. All hunters must check-out and check-in each day they hunt at any of the eleven Fort Riley Self-Service Hunter Check Stations and follow the Open Hunting Areas guidelines below:

1. Open Areas South of Vinton School Road will be listed as open for archery hunting at the self serve hunter check stations, the Fort Riley's web site, and on the open area hotline (785-239-6669). Hunters will be allowed to hunt in these areas using legal archery equipment as defined by the state of Kansas.
2. Open Areas North of Vinton School Road will be listed as open for hunting using legal archery equipment, legal muzzleloader or shotguns using slugs as defined by the state of Kansas.
3. A column will be added to the Open Areas document to define "Open Extended Firearms Antlerless Season Areas."

g. Special Firearms Antler Season: January 8 & 9.

All hunters must check-out and check-in each day they hunt at any of the eleven Fort Riley Self-Service Hunter Check Stations. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as "Open Extended Firearms Antlerless Season Areas" on the particular day they wish to hunt. Eligible individuals (see below) will, however, be authorized to take an antlered deer on these two days. **Firearms hunters hunting east of Old Highway 77 (Maneuver Areas B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) may only use any legal bow, muzzleloading rifle, muzzleloading handgun or any legal shotgun.**

ELIGIBILITY: The Special Firearms Antler Season is valid only on the Fort Riley Military Reservation (Unit 8a). Eligibility to hunt this season is limited to the following individuals:

1. Military and Civilian Personnel stationed in Kansas with a redeployment date after December 28th, 2010. Redeployment papers or Commander Confirmation will need to be provided before a special permit will be issued.

3. PERMIT ACQUISITION

a. Kansas Tags and Licenses and Fort Riley Hunting Access Permits are available over-the-counter at Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks offices, the Fort Riley Environmental Office, some local vendors, and on the KDWP web page (www.kdwp.state.ks.us).

b. Fort Riley Deer Permits are only available at Fort Riley's Environmental Office, building 407 and will only be issued upon completion of the pre-hunt briefing.

4. BAG LIMIT and TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS: The bag limits for white-tailed deer on Fort Riley are consistent with the state of Kansas. Fort Riley falls into Deer Management Unit 8 for Kansas. Each deer harvested must be immediately affixed with a valid Kansas deer tag per Kansas Regulations and their Fort Riley deer tag.

5. FIREARMS REGISTRATION

Fort Riley Regulation 190-1 requires that **ALL** firearms brought on-post be registered with Fort Riley. Firearms must be registered regardless of military or civilian status. Call the Directorate of Emergency Services at (785) 239-6767, building 221 for more information about the registration procedures, or acquire the registration form at the fort's Environmental Office, building 407.

6. OFF LIMITS AREAS

The IMPACT AREA and Multipurpose Range Complex (MPRC) are OFF-LIMITS at all times. Other areas may be off-limits during all or part of the deer season. Listings and/or maps of off-limits areas will be posted at all eleven Fort Riley Self-Service Hunter Check Stations and at the fort's Environmental Office during the firearms deer season.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Construction and/or use of "permanent" tree stands are **prohibited**. A "permanent" tree stand is defined as any stand that is fastened to a tree by nails, screws, spikes or similar, penetrating objects. Portable tree stands are permitted and may be placed no earlier than 30 days prior to the start of the hunting season. All components of a portable tree stand (including wire, chain, rope or other material used to fasten the stand to the tree) must be removed from the tree within 30 days after the close of the season. Use of nails, screws, spikes or similar penetrating objects such as "steps" or "ladders" to access portable tree stands is prohibited. Illegal stands may be reported to the fort's Game Warden Section, (785) 239-4263.

b. A completed Fort Riley Recreational Vehicle Marker must be displayed in the front window of all vehicles being used while deer hunting or otherwise recreating on Fort Riley.

c. Motorized vehicles are restricted to roads that are specifically marked on the Fort Riley Outdoor Recreation Map. The only exception to this restriction is to retrieve a downed deer or elk.

d. All deer hung in post housing areas must be completely covered with an opaque fabric or other material suitable for completely concealing the carcass. Any deer being transported on Fort Riley in or on a vehicle that is visible from outside of that vehicle must be covered in that same manner.

e. ALL persons recreating (including archery deer hunters) on Fort Riley must wear **at least** 200 square inches of blaze orange on their chest and back and a hat of the same color at all times when they are not in a vehicle or building **during any Fort Riley Firearms Deer Season, including the traditional muzzleloader season 20 September through 3 October.**

f. All firearms must be unloaded and cased or locked while being transported in a vehicle. Ammunition must be stored separately from the firearm.

g. Any individual that is actively assisting any big game hunter (as defined by the state of Kansas) must have a Fort Riley Access Permit, unless exempt.

h. Hunters hunting with a firearm South of Vinton School Road must be a DOD cardholder or directly accompanied by one.

i. Active Duty Soldiers stationed at Fort Riley will receive their choice of an Either Sex Archery or Either Sex Firearms Permit, regardless of permits already distributed. Active Duty Soldiers that choose the Either Sex Archery Permit may also hunt for antlerless deer during the regular firearm seasons in November and December using any legal equipment.

8. QUALITY DEER MANAGEMENT. Several “Quality Deer Management” (QDM) initiatives have been implemented in an effort to improve the overall average antler size of our mature bucks. One of the most important aspects of QDM is to let 1 ½ and 2 ½ year old bucks grow for another year. Success or failure of this effort will be due in large part to hunter restraint. Please consider the overall quality of our deer herd when harvesting your deer.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information concerning the 2010 Fort Riley firearms deer season, contact Fort Riley's Environmental Office, building 407, (785) 239-6211. The Environmental Office is on the Fort Riley Garrison Resiliency Day Off gliding 5-4-9 work schedule of every other Friday off. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 7:30 am - 4:00 pm, except on government holidays and Fridays off to include: 8/20, 9/3, 9/17, 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12, 11/26, 12/10 & 12/23. The mailing address is:

**Fort Riley Environmental Office
ATTN: IMNW-RLY-PWE
Bldg 407, Pershing Court
Fort Riley, Kansas 66442-6016**

10. Fort Riley Firearms Deer Season Calendar of Events

17 August First day to receive mandatory pre-hunt briefing and acquire Fort Riley Deer Permit

11-19 Sept. & 8-11 Oct. Youth/Disabled Hunter Season

20 Sept. - 3 Oct. Traditional Muzzleloader Season

20 Sept – 31 Dec. Archery Season

26-28 November DOD ID Card Holder Firearms Deer Season

18-22 December Second segment Fort Riley Firearms Deer Season

26-29 December Third segment Fort Riley Firearms Deer Season

1-16 January Antlerless Only Season

8 & 9 January Special Antler Season

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